REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Title of Publication: SAMGRAN3.jpg

Other Known Title: Not Stated

Format: Computer Image File

Director/Author: Not Applicable

Producer/Publisher: Not Applicable

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Language: Not Applicable

Applicant: The District Court at Rangiora

Distributor: Not Applicable

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Reasons for excisions:

Not Applicable

Summary of reasons for classification:

The computer image file entitled *SAMGRAN3.jpg* is classified as: Objectionable.

The publication promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes. The image shows a naked girl provocatively posed to display her immature body. The most likely purpose of the image is to sexually arouse a viewer with a prurient interest in children. The image legitimises the idea that it is appropriate and acceptable for adults to become sexually aroused by children and further, that children are sexually available for adult attention.

The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression as set out in s14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. This outcome is consistent, however, with Parliament's intention in the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 that publications that promote and support the exploitation of children for sexual purposes are objectionable.